

# Mercury Reduction and Recycling for Schools *Pledge Program*



## School Pledge

We pledge to continue working with our solid waste management district, IDEM, and/or the Household Hazardous Waste Task Force to keep mercury out of our schools and environment in order to protect the quality of children's health and Indiana's air, land, and water. We understand that mercury performs a useful function in thermometers and other instruments; however, it can also harm the environment.

Our school is committed to protecting our students and the environment. Therefore, we, the undersigned Indiana school, have established these goals to minimize the impact of mercury on the environment and encourage our students and their parents to conduct sound environmental practices as well.

To achieve these goals, we pledge to participate in the Mercury Awareness Program. As a participant in this program we will:

- ◆ Inventory our buildings for mercury containing items
- ◆ Purchase non mercury-containing substitutes where possible\*
- ◆ Implement a phase-out plan for mercury containing devices\*
- ◆ Turn in our mercury and mercury containing items for recycling

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School Representative

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Solid Waste District  
Representative

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School Name

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\*Except fluorescent lamps